

SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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LOCAL DELIVERY VENDOR INJURED IN INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT

This morning, October 8, at approximately 8:23am, Salem Police and Salem Fire/EMS responded to the Salem Walmart, located at 1841 W. Main St. in relation to an industrial accident. Upon arrival, it was discovered that Edward Lee Smallwood, age 33 of Salem, had been injured in the loading dock area.

Smallwood is a vendor for Pepsi Beverages Company of Roanoke and had been making a delivery to the store. He appeared to have been injured when he went under a metal loading dock ramp to retrieve an item and the ramp fell on him.

Smallwood suffered severe head trauma and was transported to Roanoke Memorial Hospital by Lifeguard 10 with life threatening injuries. OSHA was contacted and responded to the scene. No other information is available at this time.

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